NOTICE TO REGISTERED FACILITIES PERTAINING TO LASER OPERATOR CERTIFICATION

Dear Registrants:

Arizona Revised Statutes, Title 30, Chapter 4, is the authority under which the Arizona Radiation Regulatory Agency (ARRA) administers the State's radiation control program. The Arizona Revised Statutes require the Agency to regulate the use, storage and disposal of sources of radiation.

In conformance with the recently changed statutory requirements, the Agency has established regulations for the safe use of sources of radiation. As a registrant of ARRA, you must achieve compliance by supplying additional information. The new changes require that every laser technician apply for and, once all requirements are met, receive certification from the Agency. All applicants must meet the requirements of A.R.S. §32-516 or A.R.S. §32-3233(E).

Applicants must first attend and complete an ARRA approved training course with a passing grade of 80% or higher. Once the laser technician receives a provisional certificate from ARRA approved course, documentation must be submitted per type of procedure the technician wishes to perform. This would include being directly supervised, in person, for 24 hours and perform or assist in at least 10 procedures of that type. (i.e. directly supervised, in person, for 24 hours and 10 procedures of hair removal, 24 hours and 10 procedures of skin rejuvenation, etc.) The supervising health professional or supervising laser technician shall submit documentation, verifying the laser technician has completed the required training and supervision per procedure.

Please download the <u>Laser Technician Application</u> forms and fill out one for each laser technician you wish to certify. All documentation, application(s) and the appropriate application fee(s) of \$30.00, per laser technician, must be submitted before receiving Agency approval.

If you have any questions or need further information please e-mail Ms. Sonia Carpena at scarpena@azrra.gov or call (602) 255-4845 ext. 263.

Sincerely,

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